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| 1. This communication is responsive to 6/13/06. | | |
| 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>9-13,17,19-36 and 38-45</u> . | | |
| 3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority un a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the: 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have | | |
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| 4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. | | |
| 5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted. | | |
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| 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date | | |
| (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date | | |
| Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d). | | |
| 6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. | | |
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| 2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. ☐ Interview Summary | |
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DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Chandran D. Kumar on 8/16/06.

The following changes have been made;

a. Claim 36, line 5, insert after ";" —wherein each sensor package has a sensor in the cavity, the sensor resiliently coupled to the housing with at least one coupling and at least one bumper slidingly supporting the sensor; --.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 2. Claims 9-13, 17, 19-36, and 38-40 are allowed.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Re claims 9, 17, 24, and 36, the independent claim includes "wherein each sensor package has a sensor in the cavity, the sensor resiliently coupled to the housing with at least one coupling and at least one bumper slidingly supporting the sensor " in combination with the remaining claim limitation is not taught and/or made obvious by the prior art. See remarks, pages 1-3, received 6/13/06.

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Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the 4. payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tamiko D. Bellamy whose telephone number is (571) 272-2190. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hezron Williams can be reached on (571) 272-2208. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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